Application No. Applicant(s) 10/087,676 BROWN, CHARLES M. Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit Stefan Staicovici 1732 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to the amendment filed 11/1/2004. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 3-25, 31-44 (now renumbered as 1-38). 3. A The drawings filed on 01 March 2002 and 01 November 2004 are accepted by the Examiner. 4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) 🗍 All b) Some* c) None of the: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s)

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- 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date
- 4.

 Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit

of Biological Material

- 5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date <u>1/20/05</u>.
- 7. X Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- 8.

 Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 9. ☑ Other see interview of 1/20/05.

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or 1.

additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR

1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the

payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with

Mr. David Wisz on January 20, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

- claims 26-30 have been canceled without prejudice to Applicants filing one or more divisional

applications.

Reasons for Allowance

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art does not

teach or suggest a method of molding an article including, transiting a plurality of open molds

about a closed circuit for a plurality of laps and performing a predetermined series of operations

during each of said plurality of laps, wherein said predetermined series of operations further

includes, transiting said plurality of open molds through a spraying operation as a multiple of

sets in which each set includes a reoccurring sequence of open molds in which each open mold

within each set is on a different lap.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the

payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for

Allowance."

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Stefan Staicovici, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (571) 272-

1208. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisor, Michael P. Colaianni, can be reached on (571) 272-1196. The fax phone number for

the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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